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For:

INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS

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Sir:

Further to the Rule 53(d) CPA filed on October 23, 2001, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 6, 8, 12-14, 23, 25, 29-31, 42, 44, 48-50, 57, 59 and 63-65 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Please replace claims 1-4, 7, 9-11, 15, 17-21, 24, 26-28, 32, 35, 37-40, 43, 45-47, 51-56, 58, 60-62, 66 and 67 as follows:

1. (Amended) An information processing apparatus comprising:

storage means for storing a plurality of images and other information data; dividing means for dividing a display screen into n² areas; and

display control means for displaying each of one or more of the images as reduced images that are smaller than 1/n height by 1/n width in a corresponding one of the areas of the screen divided by the dividing means, and displaying a symbol representative of the other